

General Transfer Agreement

November 1, 2004

The attached comments reflect comment log number(s): GTA-039 through GTA-039.

Aho, Rod – PL-6
Allen Burns – R-3
Syd Berwager – R-3
Preston Michie – R-3
Tara Exe- R-3
Joe Rogers – R-3
Steve Larson – L-7

NOTE: If you have any changes to the above distribution list, please contact Ginny Kuehn, x4413. Thank you.

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Specialist: Tara Exe

Program Office: Industry Rest.

Comment Close Date: 10/19/2004

Comment Log #	First Name	Last Name	Affiliation	Receipt Date	Notes
GTA-039	Jim	Webb	Lower Valley Energy	11/1/2004	

From: Rogers,Robert A (Joe) - R
Sent: Monday, November 01, 2004 7:13 AM
To: Kuehn,Ginny - DM; Exe,Tara D - R; Aho,Rodney A - PL
Subject: FW: GTA Agreement

-----Original Message-----

From: King,Larry D - PSE
Sent: Sunday, October 31, 2004 3:11 PM
To: Rogers,Robert A (Joe) - R
Subject: FW: GTA Agreement

Joe, Jim Webb sent in these comments on the GTA letter. Please forward to the appropriate place. ldk

-----Original Message-----

From: James R. Webb [mailto:jrwebb@lvenenergy.com]
Sent: Friday, October 29, 2004 4:17 PM
To: King,Larry D - PSE
Subject: GTA Agreement

Dear Larry,

I want to formally state on the record that Lower Valley Energy is in favor of a long-term agreement between BPA and its customers regarding the general transfer agreements (GTA's). We strongly support the work done by ICUA quantifying the annual benefits to the region from the GTA's. A cost/benefit analysis study was performed by BPA before each GTA was signed and it was clearly less expensive for BPA to enter an agreement for service rather than the build option. At the time of each agreement the customers were assured they would receive equivalent service to being a part of the BPA transmission network. We think it would now be a big mistake to directly charge the utilities benefiting from the GTA service since all of BPA's customers have benefited over the years from the savings from the GTA's over the build option.

We appreciate the work of ICUA, PPC, NRU, and the BPA staff to negotiate an agreement that would protect GTA served customers from direct charge for 20 years. We understand that there are more issues to resolve, such as the transmission on non-federal power, which we trust will be addressed in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the GTA issue, and we appreciate all that BPA and you in particular do for Lower Valley and our customers.

Jim Webb
President/CEO